

DM-698
18 February 1959

DEPUTIES' MEETING


Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell (part of meeting), Mr. Bissell,
Mr. Amory, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms,
Mr. Barnes, Mr. Sheldon (part of meeting), Dr. Kent,



MR. DULLES:

a. Stated he had read with a great deal of interest the reports of the year-end spot checks made by members of the IG Staff. He noted in particular the comment made by John J. Bagnall, Chief of the Foreign Documents Division, OO, that his division could render better translation service for the DD/P area provided more specific guidance and requirements were received. The Director said this situation might be helped if Mr. Bagnall could attend a DD/P staff meeting in order to discuss this problem with the various staff and division chiefs. Action: DD/P.

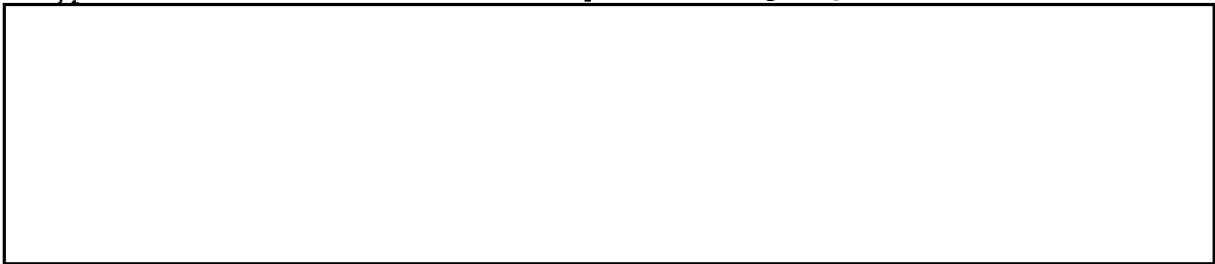
b. Referred to the proposal by the Management Staff, DD/S, recommending the establishment of a Cable Control Officer and noted the divergence of views on such action. Considerable discussion followed wherein it was pointed out that (1) reduction of cable traffic is desirable, (2) the achievement of such reduction is by and large a command function, (3) there is no one person fully qualified to comment on the text of every cable, (4) there is a committee now considering a method whereby classified information can be transmitted through the open mail without any possibility of compromise, and (5) overhaul and speed-up of the U. S. courier would go a long way to alleviate the necessity of transmitting information by electrical means. Mr. Amory remarked that he would like to make a strong plea that nothing be done to reduce the content of incoming cables reporting important conversations. He said it is most essential to the Estimators that they receive the full flavor. Action: It was agreed to defer action on the appointment of a Cable Control Officer pending receipt of the report of the committee mentioned in (4), above.

c. Noted he had received a letter from ■  and noted his intention of seeing him. The letter was given to Mr. Bissell to pass on to Cord Meyer.

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MR. AMORY:

a. Referred to the situation on Cyprus and noted his concern about the treatment U. S. nationals might receive after the Cyprus accord is reached. In response to a query from the Director,



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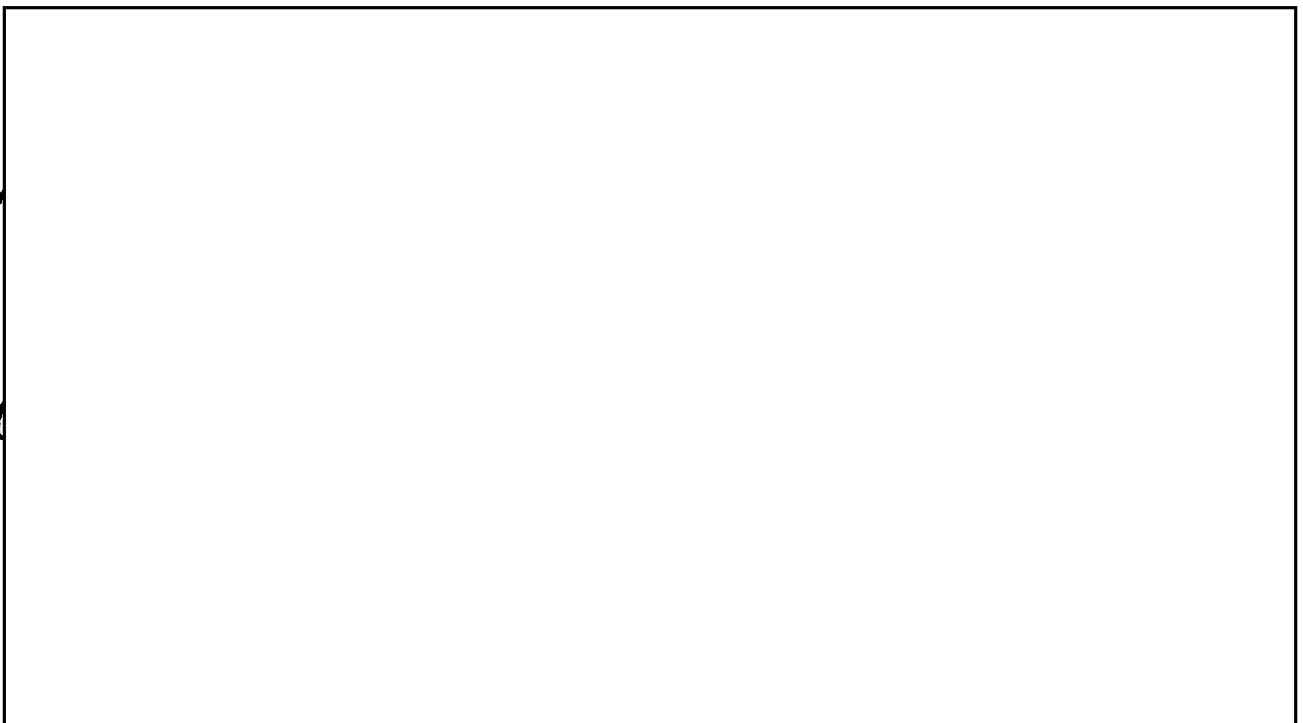


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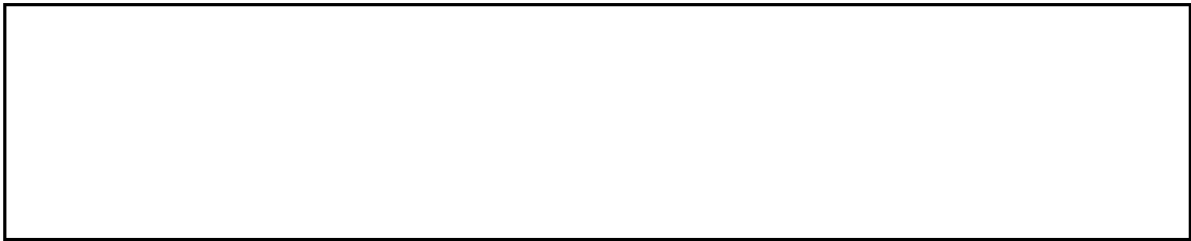
b. Received the Director's approval to provide the Assistant Secretaries of State with copies of the CIB.

DR. KENT:

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Reported that the Manpower Task Force is foraging ahead and while so far no particular overlaps in functions and possible reductions have been discussed, it had been determined that a saving can be made in the Assessment Staff of the Office of Training.



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